

c) bank reconciliation and quarterly financial summary: Details had been circulated in advance by MW and the reconciliation was approved and signed and the financial summary was accepted with no questions.

124/16 - The Antelope/Causeway path: MW and DM had met Roger Bell from DCC this morning. He is adamant that there is no safe exit route for the footpath unless it is extended beyond the H&W land. He does not agree with the argument that half a path is better than none as the exit will be blind and too dangerous. Looking at possible alternatives there are two options. The first is for H&W to allow a permissive path (which can be closed by the landowner at any time) through the field at the rear of the Antelope. The problem with this is that H&W's land does not have access onto the Causeway at its northern end – there is a strip of land under separate ownership so another party would need to agree. Also, what surface would be allowed, and who would maintain it? A second alternative is to upgrade the existing footpath that goes behind the Old Causeway Bakery over the fields to the rear of Honeybun Meadow to the shop. There is a good chance DCC would replace stiles with gates to make it easier for people with children, pushchairs etc. However, there is a degree of scepticism as to whether anyone would actually use this longer route.

H&W has made it clear it won't allow a footpath on its land if DCC Highways have determined the route to be too dangerous. If the field behind the Antelope is to be developed then it is likely they would try and incorporate a safe route through the site toward the shop. As part of any development H&W would have to deal with access onto the site and the potential need for a northern exit.

It was agreed MW should approach H&W about a possible permissive path. He will also ask them to cut the hedge once the nesting birds restriction ends on 31st July.

125/16 – The Keep – “flora and fauna” day: Nigel Spring is running this event on the afternoon of Saturday July 16th. The parish council will pay for refreshments. MW will ask if posters advertising the event could be displayed.

126/16 – Highways and Rights of Way matters: It has been reported that the footpath by the old Handley Cross depot is overgrown. MW will ask the landowner to clear it (subsequent to the meeting, MW has received clarification from the Rangers – the landowner is responsible for the side and overhead vegetation, whilst DCC is responsible for any growth through the surface of the path itself – MW has asked the complainant to clarify the position). MW was asked to arrange for Ernie Cluett to cut Coney Lane in the near future

127/16 – Fingerposts – update and new letters for repairs: There has been a lack of progress from contractors. MW has asked if a replacement metal collar is available to facilitate a repair

128/16 – Community defibrillator – update: This has been relocated to the village hall. MW will advise the community in the next edition of Bytes and will put information posters on the notice boards and alert June King of the St Johns Ambulance. He will also liaise with John Lewis over training and order new pads.

129/16 – Recreation field i) draft minutes of Recreation Ground Committee 27th June 2016 and actions arising: AR talked through the minutes which had been circulated in advance. These were accepted. ii) **progress on tenders for new pavilion:** Tender responses are due back by 19th July 2016.

130/16 – Village hall – report: There is no film in August

131/16 – DCC/NDDC Cllr Batstone: PB has been spending time on DCC Children's Services appeals re school places and transport. Reductions in rural bus services and mobile libraries are imminent. Changes to the overall structure of local government should be out for consultation by the year end.

132/16 - Public open session: Comments about the defibrillator relocation are covered in minute 128/16 above

133/16 – Correspondence to note: MW is attending a DCC Highways meeting on 20th July where plans for parish councils to take on work such a gully clearing, sign cleaning, verge cutting etc will be explained.

134/16 – Date of next meeting: The next meeting will be held at Tuesday 2nd August 2016. SM is away and gave his apologies

135/16 – Close of meeting: With no further business to discuss SM closed the meeting at 8.55 pm.

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